

### **DETAILED ACTION**

#### ***Response to Amendment***

1. In response to the Office Action of December 11, 2009, claims 1, 3, 9, 16, 23, 24 and 30 have been amended. Claims 2, 13, 17-18 and 29 have been canceled. As a result, claims 1, 3-12, 14-16, 19-28 and 30 are now pending.

#### ***Response to Arguments***

2. Applicant's arguments, see remarks, filed 1/18/10, with respect to claims 1, 3-12, 14-16, 19-28 and 30 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection of claims 1, 3-7, 9-12, 15-17, 19, 21-28, and 30 has been withdrawn.

### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Attorney Gary J. Pitzer, Registration No. on March 15, 2010.

4. The application has been amended as follows:
- a. In claim 4, lines 2-3, "the at least one other node" should be changed to – the at least two other nodes--.
  - b. In claim 10, line 3, "the request" should be changed to –the source broadcast request--.

- c. In claim 12, line 2, "the request" should be changed to --the source broadcast request--.
- d. In claim 28, line 4, "the source broadcast write-back request" should be changed to --the write-back request.--
- e. In claim 28, line 5, "source-broadcast" should be changed to --source broadcast--.

***Allowable Subject Matter***

5. Claims 1, 3-12, 14-16, 19-28 and 30 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Claims 1, 3-12, 14-16, 19-28 and 30 are allowed in view of Applicant's arguments set forth on pages 10-13 of the remarks filed January 18, 2010.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

***Conclusion***

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to MARDOCHEE CHERY whose telephone number is (571)272-4246. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30A-5:00P.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Matthew Kim can be reached on (571)272-4182. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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